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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

INDONESIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (UKI)

Sunday Mass: 2:00 p.m.

(Second & Fourth Sundays of the Month)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday: 8:15 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment – Course Required

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements 12 months in advance

Marriage Course is required

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00-4:30 p.m.

MEDITATION GROUP

Meets in the Parish Hall Tuesday at 8:45 a.m.

PRAYER GROUP

Meets in the Griffin Room Thursday at 2:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – noon;

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

St. Anselm's School

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Mass for Intentions Week



Tuesday, May 7th, 8:15 a.m.

John & Rosa Paglialunga
Requested by the Family

Wednesday, May 8th, 8:15 a.m.

For the Intentions of Ed & Lucia Oh
Requested by Angela Oh

Thursday, May 9th, 8:15 a.m.

Nora Ryan
Requested by Theresa Ryan

Friday, May 10th, 8:15 a.m.

Iona D'Silva
Requested by Christopher, Aubrey & Melanie D'Silva

GROUP "A" CASSEROLES

Group "A" casseroles for the Good Shepherd will be collected on Saturday, May 18th from 4-5pm in the church parking lot. That date falls on the long weekend. If you know you'll be away but would like to drop off your casserole early, please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Cottage season is upon us – please remember the less fortunate who still seek the assistance of the Good Shepherd Refuge even with the warmer temperatures. Meals are still in high demand and with those in every parish who find themselves out of town on summer weekends, casserole numbers tend to experience a downturn from May to August. We can accept your frozen casserole outside of the third weekend drop-off date – just let us know.

If you've been considering joining the casserole program, now would be a great time! We provide the pan, lid and simple recipe. You shop for the ingredients, assemble, cook and freeze the casserole and drop it off to us. Each one of these casseroles feeds TEN hungry individuals. Please contact the parish office for more information.

***Chalice** is coming to St. Anselm Parish! At the May 11-12 Masses, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. It is a powerful way to reveal God's love for those most in need. Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and its mission.*

"Creation is not a property which we can rule over at will; or, even less, is the property of only a few: Creation is a gift.

It is a wondrous gift that God has given us so that we care for it and we use it for the benefit of all, always with great respect and gratitude.

**Pope Francis,
CATHOLIC LEADER, CHEMIST "**

In caring for our common home, Pope Francis, "Catholic leader and chemist", is a source of significant inspiration to EcoAnselm and WORLDWIDE. Scientists, politicians, corporations, grass-root community groups and faith-based groups from EVERY MAJOR FAITH across the world acknowledge and are heeding the integral-ecology approach urged by Pope Francis.

Make an intentional commitment to mindfully reading 'Laudate Deum, Apostolic Exhortation of the Holy Father'. (October, 2023)

[https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/20231004-laudate-deum.](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/20231004-laudate-deum)

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Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION

MAY 4-5

Today, there will be a collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. Please give generously.

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Ps 98
1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17

LOVE IS A WAY OF LIFE



Today the Lectionary continues the Easter season readings from the Acts of the Apostles. The selection consists of eight verses from among the 48 verses of Chapter 10. This chapter tells the story of one of the great turning points in the early history of the church. It will be helpful for us to fill in the story that is briefly sketched out in

these eight verses. This story holds a key to understanding the spread of the Gospel. After Jesus' resurrection, the disciples began preaching the good news. Peter and the disciples were Jews, and most of the new followers were Jews. In Chapter 10 of Acts, we read about a non-Jew, a gentile named Cornelius. Cornelius was a Roman centurion: a foreigner in charge of 100 soldiers.

Acts relates that Cornelius was a "God-fearing man." That phrase was used to indicate gentiles who accepted some of the practices of the Jews, though they did not become Jews. We are told that as a "God-fearing man," Cornelius gave alms generously and prayed constantly. One day, Cornelius' faithfulness to prayer and almsgiving brought something unexpected into his life. An angel came to Cornelius and said, "Your prayer has been heard and your alms have been remembered before God." Cornelius was instructed by the angel to send emissaries to Joppa and to ask Peter to come to him in Caesarea. While the emissaries of Cornelius were on their way from Caesarea, Peter went up on the

roof of the house where he was staying in Joppa so that he could pray. While Peter was on the roof, an angel of God visited him. Three times, the angel showed Peter a vision of all kinds of creatures that were forbidden under Jewish law. The angel told Peter to eat those animals. This vision was a completely unexpected revelation for Peter. As a good Jew, he believed there were certain things that were "unclean." The vision told him that nothing God made should be called unclean. And it wasn't just foods that were considered unclean. Gentiles were also considered unclean because they did not follow the dietary law, eating what Jews considered off-limits. Peter now had to adapt to a completely different way of seeing things. If all things and all people were acceptable to God, then God's message in Jesus Christ must be shared with all: gentiles as well as Jews. When the emissaries from the gentile Cornelius arrived to ask Peter to come to him, Peter, with this new understanding from his vision, responded right away and went. Later on, all the disciples would come to understand that in Christ all are called to the reign of God — here and hereafter. All are welcome.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is calling his own to remain in his love, to keep the commandments to love one another, to go and bear fruit and to ask the Father anything in his name — all this in order that they might know joy. This joy will be referenced again in John 16:24, where Jesus urges the disciples to pray in his name "so that your joy may be complete," and in 17:13, where he tells his own that *his* joy will be complete in them. Jesus did not call sad sacks unto himself. He calls out to us as Brother, Sister, Friend. He remains in us, and we in him. He is the revelation of the love of God for us. As Julian of Norwich so aptly put it so many centuries ago: "The greatest honour you can give to God is to live in joy because of the knowledge of God's love. If our joy gives honour to God, then it is our duty to be joyful". All are included in God's love, with a special place for those who are on the margins. It's a safe bet that more people will be open to accepting the good news and living their lives by it if they experience a disciple who brings God's love to all, without restriction. Could that disciple be you? Are you listening?

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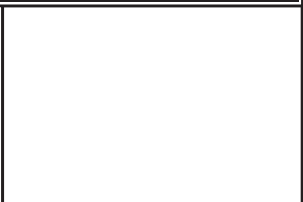



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